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**Amendment and Response to Election Requirement**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of July 27, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.